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means for superimposing the image information read out from the recording medium with the ID information,

control means for changing a superimposing position of the ID information according to the number of items judged by the judging means,

output means for outputting the image information and the ID information superimposed by the superimposing means to the display device,

wherein the control means changes the superimposed position for data of an item common when the number of item is one and two. --.

-- 50. An apparatus according to claim 49, wherein the common item is a date information. --.

-- 51. A reproducing apparatus for reading out information signal from a recording medium to output the signal to a display device, comprising:

reading means for reading the information signal and ID information of the information signal from the recording medium,

conversion means for converting the ID information read out from the reading means into a character information,

setting means for setting a display mode of the character information converted by the conversion means on the display device,

superimposing means for superimposing the information signal with the character information converted by the conversion means to output the information signal superimposed with the character information to the display device, and

control means for changing a superimposing position of the character information superimposed by the superimposing means according to a display mode set by the

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setting means.

-- 52. An apparatus according to claim 51, wherein the setting means sets the display mode according to a number of items contained in the ID information. --.

-- 53. An apparatus according to claim 51, wherein the information signal recorded in the recording medium is an image taken by an electronic camera and the ID information includes a date of image-taking. --.

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54. A method for controlling a reproduction apparatus which an image information and ID data of the image information from a recording medium recorded with the image information and the ID data and output the image information and the ID data to a display device, the method comprising steps of:

judging a number of item of the ID data corresponding to the image information to be reproduced from the recording medium,

superimposing the image information and the ID data read from the recording medium by changing a superimposing position of the ID data according to the number of item of the ID data judged in the judging step, and

outputting the image information superimposed with the ID data to the display device,

wherein the superimposing position of data of an item common when the number of item of the ID data is one and two is changed in the superimposing step. --.

-- 55. A method for controlling a reproduction apparatus for reading an information signal from a recording medium and outputs the information signal read from the recording medium to a display device, the method comprising steps of:

reading the information signal and an ID information of the information

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signal from the recording medium,

converting the ID information read in the reading step into a character information,

setting a display mode of the converted character information on the display device, and

superimposing the information signal with the converted character information to outputting the information signal superimposed with the converted character information to the display device,

wherein the superimposing position of the character information is controlled in the outputting step according to the display mode set in the setting step. --.

REMARKS

Claims 32-37 and 45-48 have been canceled and claims 49-55 have been added. Enclosed is our check in the amount of \$80.00 in payment of the fee for the added claims. Please charge any other fees for entry of this Amendment to our Deposit Account No. 18-1644.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the claims by this Amendment. This marked-up version is marked "Version With Markings To Show Changes Made".

The Examiner has rejected applicants' claims 32-37 and 45-48 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-2 of U.S. Patent No. 5,719,984 in view of the Shimada, et al. patent. Claims 32-38 and 45-48 have been deleted, thereby overcoming this rejection. Moreover, to the extent the Examiner believes the rejection is applicable to added claims 49-55, the rejection is respectfully traversed.

Applicants' independent claims 49 and 54 are directed to a reproducing apparatus